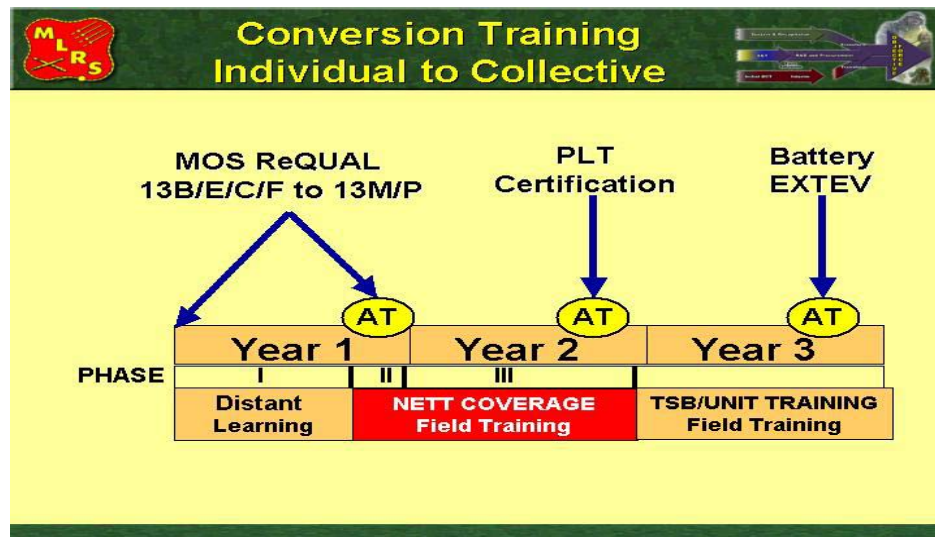


FACT SHEET

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SUBJECT: MLRS New Equipment Training (NET) Overview

1. The Gunnery Department is the proponent for MLRS NET of National Guard Cannon Battalions converting to MLRS. Since 1988, thirteen have been converted, retrained and certified as MLRS Battalion in the following states: Oklahoma (2 Bns), Tennessee, Michigan, Kentucky, Florida, Arkansas (2 Bns), South Carolina, Kansas, South Dakota (2 Bns), North Carolina and two battery's in Texas. Future plans include conversion of eight corps level battalions.
2. Training Plan: MLRS transition training consists of 3 phases currently conducted over an 18-month time frame. The diagram below shows three generic years, the phases of training, time frame of Gunnery Department New Equipment Training Team (NETT) coverage and the status of converting battalions.



- a. **Phase I** – is common task preparation for training. The unit conducts this preparatory phase with Distant Learning from Ft. Sill.
- b. **Phase II** – MLRS crewmember (13M), MLRS Fire Direction (13P), and MLRS Cadre transition courses. This is schoolhouse POI taught at the units' home station by the Gunnery Department NETT. This is usually conducted during the summers first Annual Training (AT) that a unit converts to MLRS.

- c. **Phase III** – is section and platoon certification. This is collective field training with Gunnery Department NETT support conducted during monthly drills and AT of year two.

3. The following units are scheduled for conversion from cannon to MLRS 3x6:



UNIT	PH I	PH II	PH III	EDATE
1-121 FA WIARNG	JAN 02	JUN 02	JUN 03	20020902
3-117 FA ALARNG	JAN 02	JUN 02	JUN 03	20020902
2-117 FA ALARNG	JAN 03	JUN 03	JUN 04	20030901
1-157 FA COARNG	JAN 03	JUN 03	JUN 04	20030901
2-157 FA COARNG	JAN 03	JUN 03	JUN 04	20030901
1-86 FA VTARNG	JAN 04	JUN 04	JUN 05	20040901
1-111 FA VAARNG	JAN 04	JUN 04	JUN 05	20040901
1-161 FA KSARNG	JAN 04	JUN 04	JUN 05	20040901